

VILLAGE OF POMONA
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2003

A Board of Trustees workshop/meeting of the Village of Pomona was held at the Pomona Village Hall, 100 Lidentown Road, Pomona, New York at 7:30 p.m. on September 8, 2003.

Present

Mayor: Herb Marshall
Deputy Mayor: Nick Sanderson
Trustees: Ian Banks
Alan Lamer
Alma Roman

Village Attorney: Doris Ulman
Village Clerk: Susan Glantz

Summary of Motions:

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to return \$11,000.00 of escrow money being held for Lot G-33 to JWL Construction. The remaining \$9,000.00 escrow money will be retained for work still to be completed. Seconded by Trustee Roman.

Motion carried 3 – 2. Trustees Banks and Lamer voted no, citing that they felt all items required in an escrow account should be completed before any escrow money is returned.

Trustee Alma Roman moved to approve the recommendation of Rhoda Appel as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to set a public hearing on the proposed local law regarding delivery of materials to subdivision and site plan construction sites for September 23, 2003 at 7:35 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Marshall moved to reschedule the September 22, 2003 meeting to September 23, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanderson. Motion carried 5-0.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to authorize Mayor Marshall to sign the Ramapo Highway Contract. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.

1. Salute the Flag.

2. Special Action – JWL Return of Escrow Request Lot G-33

Attached is a memo from Doris Ulman regarding the return of escrow on Lot G-33. The Planning Board has met and recommended the return of \$11,000.00 of the \$20,000.00 that is being held in escrow. The remaining escrow of \$9,000.00 is for work still to be completed.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to return \$11,000.00 of escrow money being held for Lot G-33 to JWL Construction. The remaining \$9,000.00 escrow money will be retained for work still to be completed. Seconded by Trustee Roman.

Trustee Lamer commented that escrow money should be retained until all the work that it covers is completed. The money should not be returned in a piecemeal manner which allows the builder to pick and choose the items to be completed.

Motion carried 3 – 2. Trustees Banks and Lamer voted no, citing that they felt all items required in an escrow account should be completed before any escrow money is returned.

3. Committee Reports

A. Cultural Center

Trustee Roman reported on a reception that will be held at the Cultural Center on September 13th. She requested \$150.00 to have the event videotaped for the record. After discussion, it was decided that Deputy Mayor Sanderson will bring a camera to the event for picture taking.

B. Recreation

Trustee Roman reported that the Recreation Committee is working on a Halloween Parade and Party for Saturday, November 1, 2003 since Halloween will fall on Friday, October 31st. Plans are underway for a high school band to participate in the parade.

C. Buildings and Parks

Trustee Banks distributed proposed plans for the walkway at Village Hall along with possible signage for the parks. After discussion regarding the walkway, Trustee Banks will prepare new drawings with 4 foot wide pavers going to Ladentown Road and 6 foot wide pavers going to the entrance of Village Hall. The walkways will be straight and squared in keeping with the building line. When the plans are adopted, bids will be solicited for the work. The type of signage was selected by the Board and Trustee Banks will have a new drawing made using the colors of green and black in the sign. There will be four signs made – 2 for each entrance at Burgess Meredith, 1 for Secor and 1 for Van de

Hende. An additional sign is also needed at Village Hall on the Route 202 side of the building. Trustee Banks will obtain pricing for the signs.

Ira Wickes, Inc. will return a second time to spray the poison ivy on the fence and tree bases at Village Hall before trimming the trees.

Trustee Banks will check with Bellevue Landscaping as to why the swale at Tamarack Park has not been cleaned out. Trustee Banks, Deputy Mayor Sanderson and Village Engineer Joe Corless will visit Secor Park to determine a layout for the handicapped entrance and path into the park.

Trustee Banks also reported that the culvert at Burgess Meredith Park still has not been removed by Scaffidi. He will follow up with Mr. Corless.

Trustee Banks and Roman then reported on their visits to all the cul de sacs in the Village. They will prepare a list for the Board with their recommendations on what needs to be done at each cul de sac. Trustee Banks will prepare a letter for the landscape company responsible for maintaining the cul de sacs. They are not doing the job and payment will be adjusted accordingly.

D. Other

Mayor Marshall nominated Rhoda Appel for chairmanship of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Trustee Alma Roman moved to approve the nomination of Rhoda Appel as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.

4. Old Business

Village Attorney Ulman distributed a proposed revised schedule of Village fees and charges. After discussion, it was determined that Mrs. Ulman will prepare a local law for Chapter 67 and a resolution for the changes for the next Board meeting.

Discussion was held regarding a proposed local law amending the Village Code in relation to delivery of materials to subdivision and site plan construction sites. A copy of the proposed local law is attached to the minutes.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to set a public hearing on the proposed local law regarding delivery of materials to subdivision and site plan construction sites for September 23, 2003 at 7:35 p.m. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.

Regarding Chapter 96 and the noise abatement law, Trustee Banks will update the list of machinery to be included in the law.

Discussion was held regarding the amount of bus traffic in the Village. The Code Enforcement Officer will contact the camps in the area advising them of the local law restricting bus traffic on local roads for pick up and drop off only. The roads are not to be used for through traffic.

Trustee Banks requested an update to the tree preservation law in the Village Code. He will work with Trustee Lamer to develop an update of the law for Board consideration.

Trustees Banks and Lamer will also work on a consumer affairs policy which would notify residents which agencies are responsible for different areas of concern.

Mayor Marshall reported he is still negotiating with the Town of Haverstraw on the road contract for their portion of the Village.

Mayor Marshall also reported that the house on South Ridge Road which was foreclosed on from CMU has been sold and a building permit applied for.

The Hindu Temple is no longer allowing buses to park in their parking lot but the replacing of dead trees still has not been done. Their escrow money will still continue to be held until the work is completed.

5. New Business

Mayor Marshall reported a 19% increase in the Village's insurance premiums.

The Board meeting scheduled for Monday, September 22, 2003 needs to be changed to Tuesday, September 23, 2003 at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Marshall moved to reschedule the September 22, 2003 meeting to September 23, 2003 at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanderson. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Marshall reported on the discussions held regarding the Ramapo Highway contract. He recommended signing it since it is less than last year.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to authorize Mayor Marshall to sign the Ramapo Highway Contract. Seconded by Trustee Lamer. Motion carried 5-0.

Discussion was held regarding the purchase of an emergency generator for the Village. Cost would be approximately \$20,000.00. Mayor Marshall will pursue the matter.

6. Office Period

Nothing at this time.

7. Trustees Period

Trustee Lamer reported that the Make Wishes Come True Foundation has requested to use Village Hall for a meeting. Mayor Marshall responded that outside groups are not allowed to use any Village facilities.

Deputy Mayor Sanderson moved to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss matters of litigation and Personnel matters. Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 5-0.

Trustee Banks moved to reopen the public period. Seconded by Deputy Mayor Sanderson. Motion carried 5-0.

Trustee Roman moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Trustee Banks. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Malverne J. Toll